



**Minutes of the Meeting of Kirton in Lindsey Town Council
Promoting Kirton Committee held on Monday 11th May 2026
at the Diamond Jubilee Town Hall, High Street, Kirton in Lindsey at 6.30pm**

Members Present: Cllr David Garritt (Chair), Cllr Hazel Fox, Cllr Pat Frankish, Cllr Tony Pollitt, Cllr Barry Starkie, Cllr Suzanne Stephenson, Alison Birkett and Victoria Rumary.
Members not present: Janet Caughley, Martin Hollingsworth, Sue Law.
Also present: Two members of the public, Assistant Clerk: Cheri Morton,
Community Co-Ordinator: Mandy Coote (part) and Town Clerk: Neil Taylor-Matson.

Prior to the start of the meeting, Cllr David Garritt presented Donna Barnard and Jolene Butler of Creative Cuppa with a certificate and commemorative mug as prizes for winning the Business category of the Best Kept Town Centre Frontage competition and congratulated them on their efforts and success.

MINUTES

- PK2605/01 Election of Members
Nominations were received for Alison Birkett, Victoria Rumary, Janet Caughley, Martin Hollingsworth and Sue Law as non-voting members of the Committee.
RESOLUTION: That Alison Birkett, Victoria Rumary, Janet Caughley, Martin Hollingsworth and Sue Law are elected as non-voting members of the Committee. **ACTION: Town Clerk**
- PK2605/02 Apologies
Apologies were received from Janet Caughley, Martin Hollingsworth and Sue Law.
- PK2605/03 Declaration of Interests / Dispensations
a. Cllr Stephenson declared a personal interest at PK2605/07 (Christmas Festival – Indoor of Town Hall).
b. No dispensations were granted.
- PK2605/04 Public Participation
No matters were raised.
- PK2605/05 Minutes of the Previous Meeting
The Committee considered the minutes of the PK Committee Meeting held on 13th April 2026.
RESOLUTION: That the minutes be signed as a true and accurate record.
- PK2605/06 Community Co-Ordinator update
The Community Co-Ordinator had provided a written report and in addition noted chasing up groups and organisations for website content, including Nutshell. New group Goodwin Healthcare Community Brew's initial event at the Diamond Jubilee Town Hall (DJTH) was a huge success and is now booked in monthly, the Blood Pressure session was a success with 16 attending and another session to be planned. Kirton Lindsey Sheds is progressing with more information to be shared soon. Police surgeries at the Community Café continue with the next sessions 28th May and 25th June. There has been no direct response to the flyers about sponsorship of town events. The Community Co-Ordinator is booked to attend the Live Well Live session on 3rd June at the Baths Hall, Scunthorpe to promote all that goes on in the town.
- PK2605/07 Town Events
The Committee discussed information and actions required along with updates at this time regarding Town Events.
• SportsZone – The Assistant Clerk noted that sessions are going well with double figure attendances so far.
• Summer Gala and Scarecrow Trail (July 2026) – Research continues for food vendors and face painting. Quirky Cirque have provided information about balloon modelling and a bubble act. The PA system will require a power supply. K9 Rural Rangers, Music & Dance Journey and the Rock Choir have confirmed demonstrations, Tai Chi and Helping Dog Paws have yet to respond back. The low stock of medals for children's races was discussed and quotations from three companies were presented. Colour details for the gazebo covers were presented and discussed. Market Consent is applied for through North Lincolnshire Council and first aid provision was discussed with three quotations presented. Glanford & Lindsey Lions had advised that they had made a decision within the club not to pay to attend community events and sought clarification on any charges for them to attend the Gala. The Assistant Clerk noted that promotion of the Scarecrow Trail has commenced.
RESOLUTION: That at least one refreshments stall for drinks is sourced and up to two savoury and up to two sweet catering stalls are sought with flexibility to avoid duplication and match with availability. **ACTION: Assistant Clerk**
RESOLUTION: That Quirky Cirque are booked to perform balloon modelling and the bubble act at £200, funded by generous donation from Amara Care. **ACTION: Assistant Clerk**

Signed:

Dated:

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RESOLUTION: *That 100 gold medals are purchased from Challenge Trophies at £1.05 each with a free custom insert of the Town Council logo.*

ACTION: Assistant Clerk

RESOLUTION: *That Brandon Shaw is booked to provide First Aid cover at £190.00.*

ACTION: Assistant Clerk

RESOLUTION: *That the Gala booking forms are amended in line with those of the Christmas Festival to make it clear that a suggested contribution of £15 (borrowed gazebo) or £10 (own gazebo) is welcomed from charities.*

ACTION: Assistant Clerk

RESOLUTION: *That bookings already in place are informed of the suggested contribution update.*

ACTION: Assistant Clerk

• Christmas Festival – 11 bookings received so far, with invitations for bookings also promoted. An update was received from Glanford & Lindsey Lions about the position for Santa and their preference for the Town Council to provide a gazebo in the DJTH Garden. They would be happy to provide two additional volunteers for crowd control at DJTH entrances/exits. Other options would also be considered in terms of location. The revised quotation for the Christmas Lights are now received and a Town Events Working Group meeting is planned for Friday to discuss them. Rechargeable lights were discussed to help improve lighting the event generally.

RESOLUTION: *That No 12 Chocolatier and Kirton Fish Bar are asked about use of their yard open spaces for potential placement of a gazebo for Santa.*

ACTION: Cllr Garritt/Assistant Clerk

RESOLUTION: *That the Glanford & Lindsey Lions are updated to confirm that alternatives will be looked at to secure their attendance.*

ACTION: Assistant Clerk

RESOLUTION: *That two rechargeable lights at £14.98 are purchased along with spare batteries and additional lighting is borrowed again from Bassetlaw if available.*

ACTION: Town Clerk/Cllr Pollitt

PK2605/08 Town Volunteers

The Committee discussed the Town Council town volunteers list. The Town Clerk advised that more requests are coming through for help in different areas of the community and recommended encouraging additional membership of the group.

RESOLUTION: *That further membership of the group is sought through promotion on social media and in Kirton First.*

ACTION: Town Clerk/Assistant Clerk

PK2605/09 Rail Services

The Town Clerk reminded the Committee about information from the Independent Brigg Line Rail Group promoting Saturday 16th May as Super Sheffield/Seaside Saturday. Extra rail services will serve Kirton Lindsey Station due to engineering works and residents will be given better opportunity to travel for longer periods of time to Cleethorpes, Sheffield and other stops along the line. If residents show that services will be used when better timetables are in place, it could help encourage improvements to the current timetable. North Lincolnshire Council were now promoting this through their Visit North Lincolnshire platform, with a good write up about Kirton in Lindsey.

RESOLUTION: *That promotion of this one-off special service continues.*

ACTION: Town Clerk

PK2605/10 Open Spaces

The Town Clerk noted concerns raised by the Town Council planting contractor about the maintenance of the flowerbed on Steep Hill. Since the matter was raised, the WI had tended the flowerbed which is now in excellent condition. Thanks were noted to Alison Birkett for this work. Janet Caughley had provided a Bloom update in writing ahead of the meeting. The Community Action Day on Saturday was a success supported by Lincolnshire Co-op volunteers. Planting took place in the Market Place, library car park, Redbourne Mere, and a new planter at the South Cliff Road Kirton sign, as well as weeding and litter picking. The bench set into the wall at the Queen's Head junction was also weeded and cleaned up. Help is now needed with watering the planters and Bloom are seeking volunteers.

PK2605/11 Date of next Meeting and Agenda Deadline

The Committee confirmed the date and time of the next Promoting Kirton Committee meeting as 8th June 2026 at 6:30pm, with agenda items to be submitted in writing prior to Friday 29th May in line with Standing Orders.

The meeting closed at 7:20 pm.

Signed:

Dated: